## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE WESTERN DIVISION

In re Family Dollar Stores, Inc., Pest Infestation Litigation

MDL No. 3032

**This Document Relates To:** 

Case No. 2:22-md-03032-SHL-TMP

**ALL CASES** 

## PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Plaintiffs Sheena Bibbs, Tina Bishop, Beverly Gordon, Julian Graves, Martha Lacy, Taylor Lorimer, Soyna Mull, Vinnie Smith, Sandra Walker, and Jerome Whitney on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated ("Plaintiffs"), by and through the Co-Lead Class Counsel, hereby move for an order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23:

1. Granting preliminary approval of a settlement between Plaintiffs and Defendants Family Dollar Stores of Tennessee, LLC; Family Dollar Stores of Arkansas, LLC; Family Dollar Stores of Alabama, LLC; Family Dollar Stores of Louisiana, LLC; Family Dollar Stores of Mississippi, LLC; Family Dollar Stores of Missouri, LLC; Family Dollar Services, LLC; Family Dollar, LLC (formerly Family Dollar, Inc.); and Family Dollar Stores, LLC (formerly Family Dollar Stores, Inc.); ("Defendants"), and finding that the settlement encompassed by the Settlement Agreement (attached as Exhibit 1 to the Memorandum of Law in Support of Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval Of Consolidated Class Action Settlement is preliminarily determined to be fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Classes, raises no obvious reasons to doubt its fairness, and raises a reasonable basis for presuming that the Settlement and its terms satisfy the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(2) and 23(e).

2. Finding that the Court will likely find that the requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(a) and 23(b)(3) will be satisfied for settlement and judgment purposes only, and thus that the Court will likely be able to certify the Settlement Classes as proposed in the

3. Appointing Sheena Bibbs, Tina Bishop, Beverly Gordon, Julian Graves, Martha Lacy, Taylor Lorimer, Soyna Mull, Vinnie Smith, Sandra Walker, and Jerome Whitney as the Settlement Class Representatives.

4. Appointing J. Gerard Stranch, IV, Sarah Sterling Aldridge, and Charles J. LaDuca as Settlement Class Counsel pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(1)(B) and 23(g).

5. Approving the Notice Plan and authorizing dissemination of notice to the Settlement Class; and

6. Appointing Angeion Group LLC as Settlement Claims Administrator.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying memorandum of law and exhibits, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court grant this motion and enter the Preliminary Approval Order filed herewith. Defendants do not oppose this motion.

Dated: June 19, 2023.

Settlement Agreement.

/s/ J. Gerard Stranch, IV

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, J. Gerard Stranch, IV, hereby certify that the foregoing Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Consolidated Class Action Settlement was served on June 19, 2023, via e-mail and the Court's ECF system to the following:

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